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Notice in accordance with Section 8(e) - Preliminary Results of Algal Toxicity Studies with lauryl methacrylate, isobutyl methacrylate and ethyl methacrylate.

Dear Sir/Madam:

The Methacrylate Producers Association (MPA) is submitting preliminary results from acute algal toxicity studies with lauryl methacrylate (CAS No. 142-90-5), isobutyl methacrylate (CAS No. 97-86-9) and ethyl methacrylate (CAS No. 97-63-2). These studies do not involve effects in humans. This submission is being made on behalf of MPA's member companies: CYRO Industries, Elf Atochem N.A., Inc., ICI Americas, and Rohm & Haas Company.

The following is a summary of the findings observed in the studies. Isobutyl and ethyl methacrylate nominal concentrations of 0.1-1.0 mg/l resulted in a 40-60% reduction of Selenastrum capricornutum algae cell numbers within a closed-bottle test system. A 90% reduction in Selenastrum capricornutum cell numbers was observed in the closed-bottle test with lauryl methacrylate at a nominal concentration of 0.1 mg/l.

It is the opinion of MPA that the early findings in these closed-bottle studies, conducted as part of a preliminary evaluation of the materials, does not necessarily support a conclusion of substantial environmental risk, but are being submitted in response to the EPA 8(e) reporting requirements. MPA believes that the closed-bottle test design does not represent a "real world scenario" for these materials and rather the open-bottle tests, if technically feasible, will be considered for definitive evaluation.

These data do not include any Confidential Business Information. The studies are currently ongoing and the agency will receive copies of the final reports as soon as they become available. If you have any questions about this submission, please contact me at (202) 414-4145.

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Sincerely,

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EPA acknowledges the receipt of information submitted by your organization under Section 8(e) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). For your reference, copies of the first page(s) of your submission(s) are enclosed and display the TSCA §8(e) Document Control Number (e.g., 8EHQ-00-0000) assigned by EPA to your submission(s). Please cite the assigned 8(e) number when submitting follow-up or supplemental information and refer to the reverse side of this page for "EPA Information Requests" .

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EPA looks forward to continued cooperation with your organization in its ongoing efforts to evaluate and manage potential risks posed by chemicals to health and the environment.

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Risk Analysis Branch

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4.	[]	A description of all voluntary actions taken by your company in response to the findings indicated in your submission.
5.	[]	A complete copy of the current and/or revised Material Safety Data Sheets and labels for the following chemical(s) listed in your submission:

Please direct questions regarding these requests to Mr. Terry O'Bryan (202-260-3483) or Mr. John Myers (202-260-3543) of the OPPT Risk Analysis Branch.

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